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THE ZSCHORLAU TUNGSTEN MINE (4 pp; German; [REDACTED])

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The first page of this [REDACTED] document consists of a covering letter from the Ministry of Metallurgy and Ore Mining, Main Department for Ore Mining, Department for Non-Ferrous Ore Mining, to Minister Selbmann, to the enclosed report, 3 pages, on minutes of the meeting of the Commission to Clarify the Continuation of the Zschorlau Mine, [REDACTED]. Among those present at the meeting, were representatives from the Main Department for Ore Mining, the Federation of People-Owned Enterprises for Non-Ferrous Metals, a geologist, etc.

In the meeting it was brought out that the following ore reserves were available at the Zschorlau Mine:

a)	Proven reserves with 0.2% WO <sub>3</sub> content	30,000 tons,
b)	Probable reserves	34,000 tons, and
c)	Remainder from former mining operation losses, with a 0.1% WO <sub>3</sub> content	<u>22,000 tons,</u>
	total	86,000 tons.

From the abovementioned ore, the following WO<sub>3</sub> could be obtained:

a)	42 tons,
b)	50 tons, and
c)	<u>15 tons,</u>
total	107 tons.

Under the Five-Year Plan, the 1952 - 1955 quota for the Zschorlau Mine is 168 tons of WO<sub>3</sub>. Therefore, the missing balance will have to be obtained from explorations of other deposits.

The report then discusses the possibilities of obtaining tungsten from other deposits, suggesting exploration work at the Tirpersdorf Mine.

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